



The Pensioner: *Looking Forward*

Welcome to the digital MPERS newsletter! *The Pensioner: Looking Forward* contains news, updates, and important information for active employees of the Missouri Department of Transportation, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and MPERS.

MPERS 2022 Board Election

The month of April is a busy time for MPERS' Board elections. On April 5th, nominees will be notified and will need to have their biographies to MPERS by April 15th.

Between April 16th and April 28th, members will receive a special message via Constant Contact (the same platform the monthly newsletter is distributed). This message will contain candidate information for each voting group. Candidate information will also be placed on the [Board Election Information page](#) of MPERS' website.

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If you need assistance setting up your [myMPERS](#) account, please contact MPERS at 800-270-1271 or mpers@mpers.org.



MPERS is governed by a Board of Trustees comprised of 11 members. Four members are elected by active employees and retirees of MoDOT and the Highway Patrol. The four elected members are:

- One active employee of the Highway Patrol
- One retired member of the Highway Patrol
- One active employee of MoDOT
- One retired member of MoDOT

The election cycle began on Monday, February 28th with the announcement of the start of the nomination period. The remaining election schedule is as follows:

April 5, 2022

MPERS will notify nominees.

April 15, 2022

Completed Trustee Candidate Information and Biography Form must be received at MPERS by 4:00 p.m.

April 29, 2022

Voting begins - electronic ballots are available online via [myMPERS](#) and voting is open to eligible members of each voting group if there are at least two candidates up for election in the voting group.

May 26, 2022

Voting ends - electronic ballots must be submitted by 4:00 p.m.

June 1-8, 2022

Validation of electronic ballots. The executive director will make a preliminary announcement of election results and notify the successful candidates.

June 16, 2022

Board meeting - Executive director will certify to the Board the results of the election and introduce the successful candidates.

If you have questions regarding the MPERS' Board Election process or need assistance with your [myMPERS](#) account, please make sure you reach out to us by email to mpers@mpers.org or by calling 800-270-1271.

[Visit the Board Election Page Here!](#)

[Access myMPERS Here!](#)



Pre-Retirement Webinar Registration is a Two-Step Process

On March 23rd the second Pre-Retirement Webinar for Closed Plan and Year 2000 Plan members was held. There were 77 attendees, which is fantastic, however, there was a bit of difficulty with the registration process.

GoTo Webinar registration numbers reflected 16 registrants. When we compared GoTo Webinar registration numbers with [myMPERS](#) registration numbers, the difference was substantial; there were over 93 members that were registered in [myMPERS](#). This indicates 77 members did not complete step two of the registration process.

Why is this a concern? If step two is not completed, you will not be able to access the webinar.

Once step one has been completed by registering for the webinar in your [myMPERS](#) account, an email confirmation will be sent to the email address MPERS has on file. In the email confirmation, there is a webinar registration link. **You must select this link and register with GoTo Webinar.**

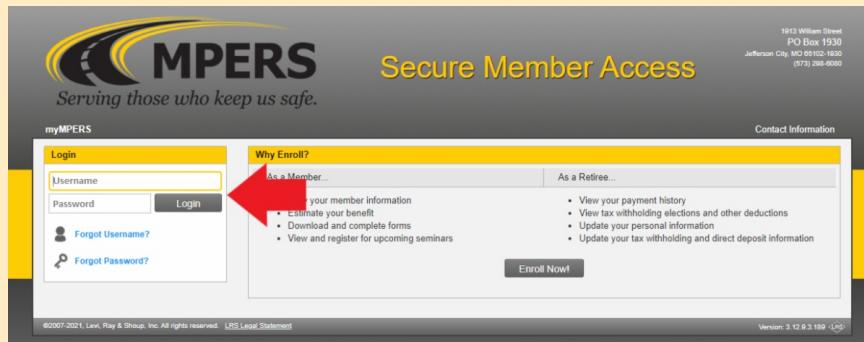
Once step two has been completed by registering in GoTo Webinar, you will receive an email from GoTo Webinar Global Customer Support that contains instructions for the webinar, but most importantly, it contains your personal join link for the webinar. This is the link you will use to join on the day of the webinar.

If you are currently eligible or within five years of retirement eligibility and would like to register for a Pre-Retirement webinar, please remember the two-step process below:

1. Register for the webinar via [myMPERS](#).

This allows our pension system to generate personalized benefit estimates for you.

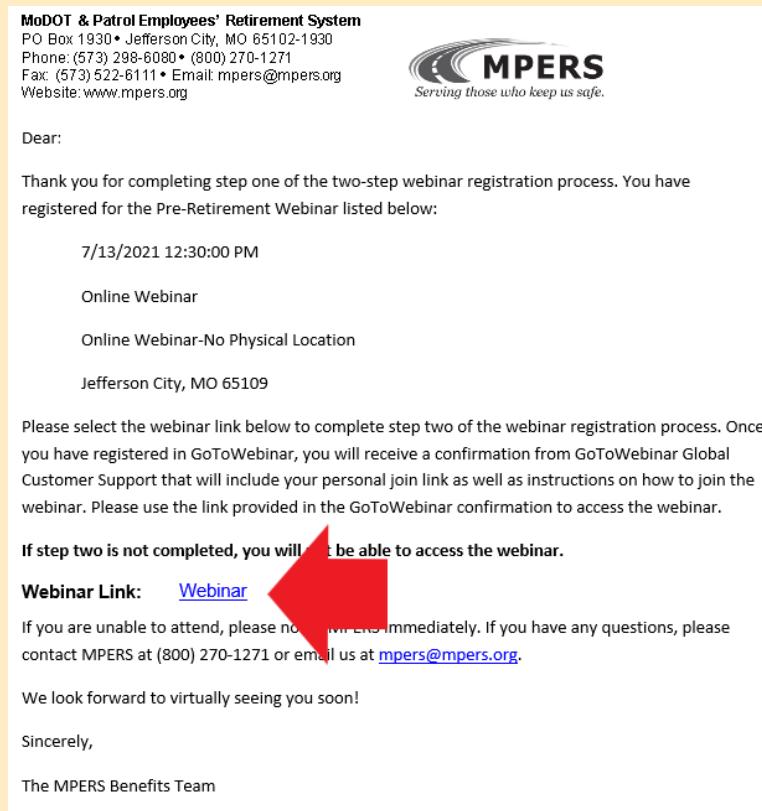
Login to [myMPERS](#), Register for Webinar



2. Register via the GoTo Webinar link located in your confirmation email.

This provides you with your personal join link for the webinar. If you don't complete this step, you won't be able to access the webinar. You will also be sent reminder emails from GoTo Webinar Global Customer Support one week, one day, and one hour prior to the webinar. These reminders will contain your personal join link as well.

[myMPERS Registration Confirmation Email](#)



GoTo Webinar Registration Page

2022 MPERS Pre-Retirement Webinar for Closed Plan and Year 2000 Plan Members

Thu, Apr 14, 2022 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM CDT

[Show in My Time Zone](#)

This seminar is designed for those who are within five years of normal retirement eligibility through the MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System.

Join MPERS Benefit Specialist, Gabrielle Lewis as she covers what to know before retirement, the retirement process, and other retirement-related topics. Additional seminar speakers include MoDOT Employee Benefits and the State of Missouri Deferred Compensation Plan.



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Organization

By checking this box, you submit your information to the webinar organizer, who will use it to communicate with you regarding this event and their other services.

[Register](#)



GoTo Webinar Confirmation Email with Join Link


Serving those who keep us safe.

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Please send your questions, comments and feedback to: benefits@mpers.org

How To Join The Webinar

Thu, Apr 14, 2022 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM CDT

Add to Calendar: [Outlook](#) | [Calendar](#) | [Google Calendar](#) | [iCal](#)

1. Click the link to join the webinar at the specified time and date:

[Join Webinar](#)

Note: This link should not be shared with others; it is unique to you.

Before joining, be sure to [check system requirements](#) to avoid any connection issues.

2. Choose one of the following audio options:

TO USE YOUR COMPUTER'S AUDIO:
When the webinar begins, you will be connected to audio using your computer's microphone and speakers (VoIP). A headset is recommended.

--OR--

TO USE YOUR TELEPHONE:
If you prefer to use your phone, you must select "Use Telephone" after joining the webinar and call in using the numbers below.
United States: +1 (562) 247-8422
Access Code: 403-723-284
Audio PIN: Show after joining the webinar
Webinar ID: 980-042-355

To Cancel this Registration

If you can't attend this webinar, you may [cancel your registration](#) at any time.



We want this process to be as easy as possible for our members. If you have any questions regarding the registration process or if you want to double check that you are registered in both *myMPERS* and GoTo Webinar, please call MPERS at 800-270-1271.

SOMETHING NEW IS COMING!

myMPERS Secure Member Access Multi-Factor Authentication

The safety and security of member and stakeholder personal information is something we take seriously at MPERS. In the coming months we will be implementing an additional security measure called multi-factor authentication (MFA) to the *myMPERS* login process. This is in response to the ever-changing internet security environment.

In the coming months, upon logging in to your *myMPERS* account, you will be prompted to choose your preference(s) for MFA.

Please remember, it has not taken effect just yet, so proceed as normal. Once it has been fully implemented, we will be available to assist with the transition and any questions you may have.

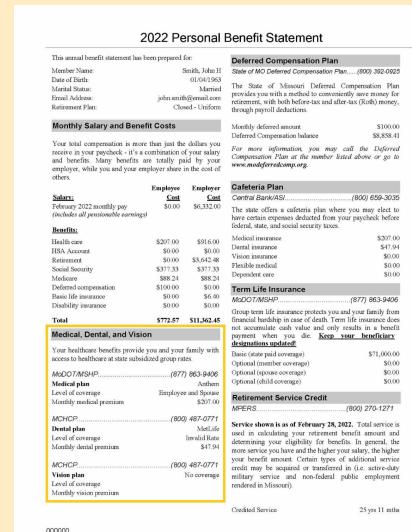
2022 Annual Benefit Statements are Available!

Active employee Annual Benefit Statements are now available in your *myMPERS* correspondence.

Reviewing your Annual Benefit Statement is a great way to keep tabs on your medical, dental, and vision benefit deductions, future retirement benefit, and life insurance deductions and coverage amounts.



Members who have dental coverage through MCHCP may notice an error in the Medical, Dental, and Vision section on page two of the Benefit Statement, indicated by the yellow box below.



Under level of coverage, the Benefit Statement reads "invalid rate." This is due to a technological glitch upon import of the data file. If you would like to verify the monthly premium listed matches your level of coverage, you can always contact MCHCP at 1-800-487-0771 or by comparing the level of coverage on your Benefit Statement with the following premium amounts:

Medical, Dental, and Vision	
Your healthcare benefits provide you and your family with access to healthcare at state subsidized group rates.	
MoDOT/MSHP	(877) 863-9406
Medical plan	Anthem
Level of coverage	Employee and Spouse
Monthly medical premium	\$207.00
MCHCP	(800) 487-0771
Dental plan	MetLife
Level of coverage	Invalid Rate
Monthly dental premium	\$47.94
MCHCP	(800) 487-0771
Vision plan	No coverage
Level of coverage	
Monthly vision premium	

Active Employee Dental Coverage

Monthly Premiums

Subscriber Only - \$24.08

Subscriber and Spouse - \$47.94

Subscriber and Child(ren) - \$49.76

Subscriber and Family - \$83.40

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Upcoming Events

- 14 - Pre-Retirement webinar for Closed Plan and Year 2000 Plan members [Register Here](#)
- 21 - Mid-Career Checkup for 2011 Tier members [Register Here](#)
- 29 - Board of Trustees voting begins via [myMPERS](#)
- 30 - Deadline to submit step 1 -*Notice of Retirement* for June 1 retirement

Retirement Deadlines

Intended Date of Retirement	Step 1 <i>Notice of Retirement</i> Due at MPERS	Step 2 <i>Retirement Election Form</i> Due at MPERS
January 1	September 1 - November 30	December 31
February 1	October 1 - December 31	January 31
March 1	November 1 - January 31	February 28
April 1	December 1 - February 28	March 31
May 1	January 1 - March 31	April 30
June 1	February 1 - April 30	May 31
July 1	March 1 - May 31	June 30
August 1	April 1 - June 30	July 31
September 1	May 1 - July 31	August 31
October 1	June 1 - August 31	September 30
November 1	July 1 - September 30	October 31
December 1	August 1 - October 31	November 30



We value your feedback!

What would you like to see in ***The Pensioner: Looking Forward?***

Send comments and suggestions to Julie.West@mpers.org.

